



**A.M.E. CONFERENCE**

In Session in Decatur This Week.

**THE SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT**

Is Represented by About Thirty Ministers and Laymen—Organization Perfected—Papers Will be Read.

The district conference of the Springfield district of the African Methodist church convened in this city today and will be in session until Thursday night. The meetings are held at the A. M. E. church on Spring avenue. There are an attendance about 30 ministers and lay delegates representing the 36 churches which compose the district. The purpose of the conference is to discuss the church work and make plans for the settlement of the churches.

Rev. A. J. Burton, presiding elder of the district, has charge of the conference. The morning session opened at 10 o'clock with devotional exercises led by Rev. H. Luckey followed by scriptural reading by Rev. F. E. Clarke. A song service under the leadership of B. F. Watson and the organization of the conference occupied the rest of the forenoon. The following committees were appointed:

On presiding elders' assessments.—P. M. Lewis of Peoria, C. W. Newton of Springfield, P. C. Cooper of Champaign, C. H. Sheen of Pontiac and J. W. Woodford of Decatur.

Examination of local pastors.—B. F. Watson of Quincy, J. R. Clements of Springfield, J. W. Edwards of Quincy.

This afternoon two papers were read. One was on the subject "Early Methodism" by G. A. Brown, and the other was on "The Best Methods for Conducting Revivals," by Rev. P. M. Lewis. This evening a sermon will be delivered by Rev. A. A. Burleigh. The session tomorrow will open at 9 a.m. and the day will be taken up by the reading of papers and discussions.

The following are the names of the ministers in attendance in addition to the laymen: A. J. Burton, presiding elder; Rev. B. F. Watson, Bethel church, Quincy; Rev. J. W. Edwards, Little Bethel church, Quincy; Rev. J. R. Clements, St. John's church, Springfield; Rev. O. H. Holmes, Mt. Comb; Rev. J. Snyder, Danville; Rev. R. M. Long, Decatur; Rev. A. F. Jackson, Gibson City; Rev. G. A. W. Brown, Bloomington; Rev. P. C. Cooper, Champaign; Rev. Henry Luckey, Pittsfield; Rev. J. W. Summers, Litchfield, and Rev. Woods, Mattoon.

**COMBINATION SALE**

In Decatur, Nov. 21, at Culp & Dimmock's Barn (Smallwood's Old Stand)—Commence Selling at 10 O'clock.

**WE SELL WHAT WE ADVERTISE.**

All live stock offered for the sale is of good quality and comprises the following:

40 Black Yearling Cattle. This is a especially desirable bunch.

40 Horses—including workers, family drivers and saddlers.

5 Cows.

3 Bull Calves— $\frac{1}{2}$  Hereford.

1 Shorthorn Pony Mare—gentle, for children.

8 Head Shoots.

1 Extension Top Surrey.

1 Closed Cab.

5 Buggies.

4 Sets Double Harness.

4 Sets Single Harness.

1 Spring Wagon Pole.

10 Horse Blankets.

ED. W. HILL & CO.,

121 East Prairie St., Decatur, Ill.

Cot. J. T. WARD, Auctioneer.

**List of Unclaimed Letters**

Remaining in the postoffice at Decatur for the week ending Nov. 15, 1898. If called for please say "advertised."

**GENTLEMEN'S LIST.**

Brown, Thomas Len, 811

Burke, Frank Lamahan, M. O.

Brown, R. P. Lindsay, W. H.

Carroll, J. W. Mayo, Emil

Davis, N. G. McKesson, E.

Fisher, Herbert McDonald, Edgar

Flueg, M. K. (2) Martn, Bay C.

Harrington, L. A. Mitchell, C. S.

Hall, Dan Smith, Henry

Johansen, Claus Warfahl, Mr. & Mrs.

Jacott, A. J. W. S.

Kidwell, Chas. Whipple, J. W., Jr.

**LADIES' LIST.**

Bond, Ella Lunt, Mary

Ford, Sadie Moore, Mrs. Frank

Howe, U. Ion Rainey, Mrs. Alice

Holland, Mrs. N. W. 2 Schneiders, Anna

Krone, Rose

**FIRMS.**

C. B. Cross & Son,

W. F. CALHOUN, P. A.

On Saturday night at 10 a.m. there will be a meeting of the joint bridge committee at the Stevens Creek bridge on the Mt. Pulaski road, to pass on the grading completed by Robert Kincaid.

**Wanted.**

Teams and shovels on South Franklin street. F. J. McDonald.

**You Can't Afford to Chance It.**

A heavy cold may lead to pneumonia or consumption. Foley's Honey and Tar taken in time affords perfect security from serious results. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

**LYTLE ELECTED**

Chosen High Priest of the Illinois Patriarchs Militant.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL, Nov. 15.—The annual sessions of the Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F. Grand Encampment, Patriarchs Militant and Rebekahs, opened today and brought large delegations from all parts of the state. The grand encampment elected officers with R. A. Smith of Chicago grand patriarch and C. M. Lytle of Decatur grand high priest.

The annual convention of chiefs of police of Illinois is being held. Only routine business has been transacted thus far.

The state convention of Equal Suffragists will meet this evening.

**NATURE'S SCAVENGERS.**

In Systematic Way She Keeps Her Forces in Readiness Where They Are Needed.

Nature, not being a European power, keeps her forces in readiness where they are needed, in consequence of which the scavengers muster in strength in hot countries, says the Saturday Review.

Vultures wander but rarely to these parts, and such sharks as occur are, with few exceptions, but mimics of their race. Yet we have even in these islands humbler purifiers at work, tadpoles and burying beetles, and others suitable to the comparatively easy work that falls to them. One of these days, when natural history is taught in a rational manner in our schools, when the rising generations learn to appreciate the living world around instead of banging panes and splashing plumes we shall have a reactivation of the modern zoological faith and a better appreciation of the beasts and birds.

We shall find nothing to shudder at in the meal of the vulture, but we may, on the contrary, even learn to protect that remarkable bird and its fellow-scavengers as among the worthiest of earth's children. To the last the vulture is active in its allotted mission, and when at length it falls no living beast or bird or insect will touch its body and it must crumble quietly to dust, a insting—somewhat too lasting, as those know who have camped too near an uncovered dead vulture for some days—monument to the usefulness of the great scavenging army of which it was once so active a member.

**HE IS A FINDER.**

The Curious Way an Expert Pickpocket Has of Earning a Living—How to Find.

To anyone unacquainted with the complex characteristics of London life it would appear almost incredible that a man could make a living as a pickpocket by immediately restoring what he has stolen to its original owner.

A detective officer, however, has recently informed a writer in Tit-Bits that such, indeed, is the case. For some time past an ingenious individual has made it his business to wait upon ladies as they leave theaters, calling their carriages and aiding them to enter. He is decently dressed, very polite, and has a way of holding up the ladies' dresses behind—especially if the weather is wet—which is particularly pleasing to his patrons.

But it seems that his action in this respect is not nearly so distinguished as it might appear, for he makes this little courtesy a subterfuge for picking their pockets or removing any article of value within reach. His methods, however, are not those of a common thief, for he persistently proceeds to the police station nearest at hand and there delivers up his spoil, coolly stating that he has found so many things recently that he has found it outlast a certain thieftaker.

He, of course, furnishes also his name and address, and in due time his "honest" action receives its reward. He has "found" so many things recently that he has found it outlast a certain thieftaker.

Shah Is the "Red King."

The Shah of Persia is styled the "red king," because he wears a red turban. There have been three European rulers upon whom that title has been bestowed—namely: Augustus VII, of Savoy, Otto II, of Germany, and William II, (Rufus) of England.

**Llamas as Freight Carriers.**

Llamas are the chief freight carriers in central Peru. The usual load for an animal is about 100 pounds. If you put upon his back more than he can easily carry he quickly kneels and will not budge until the load is reduced.

**Hands Impaired by Machinery.**

A writer declares that 500,000 men now do the work, with the aid of machinery, which needed 10,000,000 persons a few years ago.

**Not a Candidate.**

W. J. Hamilton says that he is not a candidate for the office of highway commissioner as was stated in one of the morning papers.

**Arrested Last Night.**

Last night Paul Hartbank was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Tillie Lapochefski. He was taken to the county jail and this afternoon the couple were married by Justice Hardy and Hartbank was released.

The executive committee of the Christian Endeavor society of the First Presbyterian church held a meeting at the home of Miss Hattie Brown last evening and transacted routine business.

Hatred the madness of the heart.—Byron.

Miss Ella Vermillion, who has been in the office of Dr. Herbert C. Jones for some time, is taking a month's vacation. Miss Ruth Seelig will take her place during her absence.

The man who will live above his present circumstances is in great danger of living in a little time much beneath them.—Addison.

**JUST WAITING**

Washington Officials Look on the Bright Side

As to the Peace Negotiations at Paris  
Wednesday's Meeting Will Not be the Last Session.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The officials of the state department do not expect that tomorrow's meeting of the peace commission in Paris will be the last. On the other hand it is not expected that the Spaniards will come in with an unconditional acceptance over the last demand. Still substantial progress may be regarded as having been achieved, if the Spaniards show a disposition to discuss any phase of the cession of the Philippines to the United States, even in connection with the money indemnity.

The amount of the indemnity, after all, it is believed, will be the principal point of difference. Inquiry has been made into the character of the projectors of the remarkable syndicate scheme for the purchase of the Philippines for \$100,000,000. The result has been to show that they are irresponsible and it is scarcely to be doubted that the project has been put forward as a means of enhancing the price the Spaniards may demand of the relinquishment of the Philippines. In other words the Spaniards might claim justification for demanding a sum as large as \$200,000,000 if they could point to the fact that a syndicate stood ready to pay double that price for the islands. However, this has not led to any modification of the American demands as far as can be learned, and it is probable that several sessions of the joint commission will be consumed in haggling over the amount of money to be paid over on account of the Philippines.

**American Cabinet.**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—Today's meeting of the cabinet was brief, and it is said nothing of special importance was considered. The administration does not believe that Spain will break off the peace negotiations for the reason that she would have everything to lose and nothing to gain. If she did so we would at once take forcible possession of the entire Philippine group and enter on a military campaign which would only end in the unconditional surrender of whatever territory the government might see fit to demand, together with the loss of twenty to twenty-five million dollars which, it is believed, we would now consent to pay her.

**IN THE LEGISLATURE.**

Hon. J. Smith Crowder, a Decatur Boy, Elected in California.

The many friends of J. Smith Crowder, formerly of Decatur, will be gratified to learn that at the recent general election held in the state of California, he was elected a member of the legislature from the Santa Diego district. He was a candidate on the straight Republican ticket and was elected by a majority of nearly 1000.

The news reached Decatur today and naturally the relatives and friends of the young man are feeling pretty good over his success. Mr. Crowder is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Shallalburg of this city, and he has a number of relatives at Bethany in Moultrie county. Mr. Crowder is the owner of a large and productive ranch in California. It was not generally known that he was in the race for the legislature.

**THE COUNTY COURT.**

August Term was Adjourned Today—Fined for Carrying a Gun.

The August term of the county court came to a close today in an adjournment being taken court in course by Judge Hammer. The December term will begin the second Monday of next month.

Henry Thompson was before Judge Hammer today on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. He was fined \$25 and costs to stand committed until fine and costs are paid.

**S. of V. Meeting.**

Ladies' Aid society of Sons of Veterans. Regular meeting this evening at L. A. S. and S. of V. hall, corner of Wood and Water streets. All members requested to be present the division president, Mrs. P. A. Durant of Aurora, will inspect the society. By order of the president.

**Very Little Cash.**

The Woman's Corn Carnival board have a cash balance of \$19.78. Total receipts \$520.42; expenditures \$700.64.

**To Cure a Cold in One Day**

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

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## GOODS

for this week a Choice Lot  
DRESS GOODS in Pattern  
s, Coverts, Poplins, Crepons,  
General Fancy Dress Goods  
in \$10 to \$15 Suits, all at  
the lot—  
**\$6.95**

## ing Department.

al articles in those departments at startling  
to attend this great salo.  
50 pairs all wool California Blan-  
kets, very fine carded and  
shrunken, silk bound, either  
white or grey at..... \$3.50  
500 Heavy Bed Comforts for 75c, 98c,  
\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.  
200 extra fine grass bleached hemmed Sheets, size 2½ yards by 2½ 38c  
yards, each.....  
200 Pillow Cases, hemmed, bleached and shrunken, finished size 45x36 inches, each..... 10c  
50 pieces good quality Oating Flannel, just the thing for night robes, beautiful styles, per yard..... 5c

*Bros*  
Decatur Ill.  
nts Jouvin Kid Gloves.

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the queen or king,  
for their coronation  
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dealer.

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the butchers £15 less, the bootmaker, £11  
khan, and £31, 10s  
merchandise—  
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ear; but you know  
fers are fashionable  
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Result.—  
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A Beetle That Holds On.  
The rhinoceros beetle has a tenacious  
and powerful grasp as the most  
furious bulldog. Its head may be  
two thirds torn from its body, and it  
will not loosen its hold. It has real  
horns and not mandibles, like many of  
its family.

Loss of Time from Illness.  
It has been calculated that the loss  
from illness averages 20,000,000 weeks  
of work in the year, or 2½ per cent. of  
the work done by the whole population  
between 15 and 65 years of age.

TALLEST IN THE MORNING.  
By Evening Most People Have Shrunk  
half an Inch—How Men Get  
into the Army.

the Rescue.

Certain, Pennsylvania, III.,  
ent, that she caught  
on her lungs, she  
worse. He told her  
victim of consumption  
medicine could cure  
suggested Dr. King's  
Consumption; she  
and to her delight  
eased from first dose  
use and after six bot-  
sound and well; now  
swarthy, and is in full  
Trim bottles 10c, or  
J. E. King's Drug Stores. Large  
and \$1.00.

the Spot.  
from a severe cold and  
ungs feel sore, take a  
Honey and Tar  
will be at  
warm, grateful  
healing of the  
will be experienced and  
It feels so good. IT  
is guaranteed.  
Krone, W. H. Hub-

OTTENHEIMER & CO.,  
The Clothiers.

Our Offering of strictly first-class  
up-to-date Suits and Overcoats.

Men's fine Scotch Cheviot Suits,  
Men's fine Worsted Cheviot Suits,  
Men's fine Black Clay Suits,  
Men's fine Fancy Cheviot Suits,

**\$10**

Extra good values--perfect fitting.

We press, alter and turn out suits equal to merchant tailors.

## Men's Fine Overcoats

In the new Tan Covert Blue and Black  
Kersey, Irish frieze, &c., cut in box  
style. The best overcoats ever shown  
at the price.

**Only \$10.00**

## Men's Fine Overcoats,

The kind tailors make; equal, look,  
wear and have the right style to them.

**From \$12.00 to \$35.00**

Thousands to select from.

## Boys' Department.

Most Complete—Boys' Reefs,  
Top Coats and Stylish Suits.

Boys from 3 years and up can be fitted.  
Stock complete. Prices that are right on  
every garment. Thousands of Boys' Suits,  
Overcoats and Reefs to select from.

OTTENHEIMER & CO.,  
The Leading Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.HAVE YOU AT-  
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Carpets, Wall Paper,  
Linoleum, Oil Cloth,  
Pictures and Frames,  
new, stylish patterns,  
rich colorings, excel-  
lent quality, selling  
for half their value.

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Carpet Wall Paper CoSomething  
for Nothing

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## Powers' Closing Out Sale

Gentlemen's Foothold Rubbers, first quality, all sizes, 10c  
" Clogs, self acting, " " " " 30c  
" Zephyr Rubbers, " " " " 30c  
" Storm Rubbers, " " " " 40c  
" Alaskas, " " " " 75c  
Ladies' and Boys' Alaskas, - - - - 48c  
Boys' Felt Boot Overs, one buckle, - - - - 75c

143 EAST MAIN STREET.

## THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—Illinois: Fair  
and warmer tonight and Wednesday;  
increasing southerly winds.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Davis—Cabs 25c, Trucks 15c.  
Arnold's Bromo-Cotory cure head  
aches. 10, 25, 50cts. Bell, the druggist.

Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on  
any goods. Collateral, best rates,  
meth22-tf

Smoke the Little J. Guaranteed to  
contain no artificial flavor. 1-dft

You pay a little more for the clothes  
that Denz makes but—

Henry Piper, a well known farmer  
of Wheatland township, has com-  
pleted the erection of a new eight  
room house on his farm two miles east  
of Elwin.

For sale.—A new sewing machine at  
one-fourth the regular price. Apply to  
O. Ewing, corner of West Main and Pine  
street.—ad-dft

Do you want plastering done? If so  
telephone 1462, old phone, Decatur  
Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Oren.—  
5-dft

Drink Golden Rio Coffee.—15-dft

Next Thursday evening the members  
of the Young Ladies' Guild of  
All Angels church will give a taffy  
pull at the guild hall on East Eldor-  
ado street. A musical program will  
be presented and all the friends of the  
church are invited to attend.

Big 4 Transfer Co., 15 cent delivery.  
Phone 1011 Brunswick.—12-dft

A household necessity. Dr. Thomas'  
Electric Oil. Heals burns, cuts,  
wounds of any sort; cures sore throat,  
croup, catarrh, asthma; never fails.  
For sale by all druggists.

Don't fail to try Golden Rio. Ask  
your grocer for it.—15-dft

Miss Valrie Pierce was taken sud-  
denly ill and fainted at the High  
school on Monday afternoon. Dr. W.  
C. Bowers was called to attend her  
and later she was taken to her home  
on East Condit street. Her illness  
is not of a serious nature and she will  
be able to return to school in a few  
days.

Try the sample of Golden Rio coffee  
then ask your grocer for it—take no  
other.—15-dft

There will be a meeting of the De-  
catur Musical club at the Woman's  
club rooms this evening.

The little folks love Dr. Wood's Nor-  
way Pine Syrup. Pleasant to take for  
perfectly harmless. Positive cure for  
coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.  
For sale by all druggists.

Queen Patent Flour  
95 cents per sack.

Little neck Clams, Blue Points,  
Lobsters, Shrimps, Mallard Ducks,  
Teal, Rabbits or anything that swims,  
flies or trots. Pearl Oyster and Fish  
Co., 233 North Main street.—15-dft

## MARRIED IN OMAHA.

Miss Annie Rainey and B. E. Cheney  
Wed To-Day.

Miss Annie Rainey, who has been  
employed as stenographer in the office  
of Mills & Fitzgerald, left on Monday  
afternoon for Omaha, where she was  
married at 12 o'clock today to B. E.  
Cheney, at one of the church parson-  
ages. Mr. Cheney was formerly em-  
ployed at the Wahab offices in Decatur,  
but is now connected with the  
Union Pacific at North Platte, Neb.,  
to which city the couple will go at  
once and begin housekeeping.

Miss Villa Mills has taken the position  
of stenographer left vacant by  
Miss Rainey's departure.

## FLOUR. FLOUR. FLOUR.

95c Per Sack.

Try a sack of QUEEN Patent Flour,  
guaranteed the equal to ANY spring  
wheat on the market.

For sale by:

John Ray,  
John Robinson,  
Ed Higgins,  
Fred Kipp,  
Schlio & Oehler,  
H. G. Boyer,  
F. Plumer,  
Howe Bros.  
J. G. Watson,  
D. H. Heilman & Son,  
B. Schoenle.  
Ed. Deetz,  
Drobisch Bros.  
J. W. Cannon,  
S. D. May,  
Wm. Niedermeyer.  
W. A. Wayne.

Five Per Cent Money.

We have on hand a special fund to  
loan on first class real estate security  
at 5 per cent interest. Call at once.  
Peddecock, Burrows & Co.—31-dft

Home from Springfield.

Deputy Sheriff George Long arrived  
home last night from Springfield  
where he went to testify before the  
grand jury against the five bums who  
were arrested at Warrensburg and con-  
fined in the Macon county jail and  
who were afterward found to be guilty of  
the robbery of a store at Dawson,  
Sangamon county.

What Do the Children Drink?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried  
this new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is  
delicious and nourishing and takes the place of  
coffee. The more GRAIN-O you give the children  
the more health you distribute throughout  
their systems. GRAIN-O gives the energy  
which you prepared takes away. GRAIN-O  
chooses grades of coffee but costs about 14-15  
cents. All grocers sell it. Me and 25c.

ANNUAL  
INSTITUTEFarmers of the Seven-  
teenth District in An-  
nual Meeting.

Ex-Gov. Oglesby and Mrs. Oglesby  
to Address the Convention—  
Sessions to be Held De-  
cember 1, 2 and 3.

The Congressional Farmers' Insti-  
tute for the 17th district, which in-  
cludes Macon county, will be held at  
Lincoln in Logan county on December  
1, 2 and 3, and no doubt Macon county  
will be well represented. State Secretary  
Charles F. Mills of Springfield,  
writes the Republican that the instruc-  
tive meetings will be rotated among  
the five counties in the district until  
each county has enjoyed the advan-  
tage of the same.

THE OUTLINE.

The Republican has received a copy  
of the program for the meeting at  
Lincoln, December 1 at 10 a. m.  
Mayor Jones will give the address of  
welcome, response by J. T. Gifford of  
Elkhart, reports of officers, and delega-  
tes from county institutes in the  
district; address, "The Illinois Farmers'  
Institutes," by C. F. Mills.

The woman's session will be held in  
the afternoon, Mrs. R. J. Oglesby pro-  
viding papers: "Comfort and Econ-  
omy in the Home"; Mrs. W. S.  
Evans, Lincoln; "Butter Making on  
the Farm"; Mrs. H. P. Purviance,  
Lincoln; "Domestic Science"; Mrs.  
Nellie S. Kedzie, Peoria; "Woman's  
Buildings on State Fair Grounds,"  
Mrs. Oglesby.

In the evening there  
will be a literary and musical enter-  
tainment. Reading of prize essay by  
boy under 16 years of age, living on  
farm; reading of prize essay by girl under 16  
years of age, living in town; reading  
of prize essay by boy under 16 years of  
age, living in town; paper, "Education  
for the Farmer's Daughter," Miss  
Grace Caldwell, New Holland; ad-  
dress, "Education for the Farmer's  
Son," President A. E. Turner.

On December 2 there will be dis-  
ussions of these papers: "Potato  
Culture," by Elmer Turley, Mt. Pu-  
laski; "Breeding and Feeding Sheep  
in Central Illinois," read by R. J.  
Stone of, Stonington. Ex-Governor  
Oglesby will deliver an address at this  
session. In the afternoon these papers  
will be read: "Horse Breeding,"  
George Williams of Athens; "The  
Farm Dairy," Ralph Allen, Dolayton;  
"Clover Culture," Fred H. Rankin,  
Athens; "Insects Injurious to Corn,"  
S. A. Forbes, Urbana, state entomolog-  
ist. Evening session: Address, "Our  
Agricultural College," Prof. Eugene  
Davenport, Champaign, dean of the  
college; address, "Fellowship Among  
Farmers," Hon. James R. Miller of  
Springfield, grand secretary L. O. O.  
F.

On Saturday, December 3, these  
papers will be read: "Bees on the  
Farm," J. L. Smith, Lincoln; address,  
"Why the Boys Leave the Farm,"  
Hon. R. M. Bell of Decatur; "Care  
of Pastures," J. T. Foster of Elkhart;

"Poultry on the Farm," Mrs. Wad-  
dell, all to be discussed. At the clos-  
ing session at night "Corn Culture"  
will be the subject of a paper by A. D.  
Shamel of Urbana, and "Feeding  
Cattle for the Market," Hon. J. Mer-  
riam of Atlanta.

A Month in Egypt.

At the Grace M. E. church this  
evening Rev. Clarence Reed of Sulli-  
van will deliver a lecture on "A  
Month in Egypt," under the auspices  
of the Epworth League of the church.

The admission is free and all the  
members of the church are especially in-  
vited to attend. The young people of  
the League will hold an informal re-  
ception in the lecture room of the  
church after the lecture and give all  
an opportunity of meeting Rev. Reed.

December 29.—"The Influence of the  
Modern Daily Papers Upon the  
Home," Mrs. L. M. Brown.

January 24.—"Gleanings and  
News Items," Mrs. Mary Davis.

January 25.—"Reports, Mother's  
Day," Mrs. Flora Bivins.

January 26.—"Am I My Brother's  
Keeper?" Mrs. C. C. Beadle.

January 27.—"What Are the Quali-  
fications for Good Citizenship," Mrs.  
M. M. Larick.

January 28.—"Gleanings and News  
Items," Mrs. Mary Davis.

Mrs. Margaret Grissey has been  
elected president of the local union  
and Mrs. Cynthia Foulke vice presi-  
dent. The meetings are held on  
Thursday of every week at the W. C.  
T. U. rooms at 2:30 o'clock.

W.C.T.U.

Will Study Many Interesting Topics  
in the Coming Three Months.

The work for the coming three  
months is outlined by the W. C. T. U.

As follows:

November 17.—"The Spirit Life of  
the W. C. T. U.," Mrs. L. M. Brown.

November 24.—"Gleanings and  
News Items," Mrs. Mary Davis.

December 1.—"Reports from Officers  
News Items."

December 8.—"The Child Problem  
of Today," Mrs. Leslie Cloud.

December 15.—"Peace and Arbitra-  
tion," Mrs. Rachel Pitner.

December 22.—"The Crusade, Its  
History and Influence," Mrs. Eliza  
Crary.

December 29.—

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1898.

Chauncey M. Depew has decided to take a chance in the senatorial game in New York.

The abandonment of free silver will be tantamount to an enforcement of the "crime of '73," which will be awful.

There has not been as much war talk in Europe for many years as there has been since the czar proposed disarmament and strange as it may seem the czar is at the bottom of a good deal of it.

The first duty of the new congress will be to elect a speaker. Hon. B. F. Caldwell will begin his support of McKinley by voting for Bailey for speakers and against Thomas E. Reed.

The effect of the recent election will be to force the Democrats to abandon free silver or will cause a split in the party as the eastern Democrats will not consent to endorsing the humbug in the next national convention.

After March 4 next Senator Allen, Populist, will come to represent Nebraska in the United States senate. He will be succeeded by a Republican and in 1900 Nebraska will finish her course after false issues and will return fully to the Republican column.

Since Admirals Schley and Dewey have each congratulated Colonel Roosevelt on his election to the governorship of New York and have expressed satisfaction over the result of the election they will cease to be spoken of by Democratic campaigners as available for Democratic candidates for the presidency in 1900.

The minority in the house elected last Tuesday is made up of silver Democrats, gold Democrats, Populists, free silver Republicans, Fusionists, and Ben F. Caldwell, who favors sound money, free silver, the "initiative and referendum" and who says he will support McKinley. A caucus made up of such a menagerie will bring any entertainment Washington has had since the Coxie army.

Under the terms of the contract made by the Navy Department with the Merritt company it was stipulated that the Merritt company was to safely deliver the Maria Teresa at Norfolk, Va. The Merritt company now claims that, in view of the fact that the ship was abandoned under the orders of Lieutenant Commander Harris of the navy, when in fact she was still in a condition to withstand the storm which struck her, the navy department, and not the company, is responsible for her loss. The point is a curious one. Commander Harris received no order from the department to take charge of the Maria Teresa. At the same time he did assume charge of the vessel with the consent of the department. While it is admitted that Commander Harris, not being under special orders, cannot be court-martialed for the loss of the Teresa, there are many who think the government, having permitted Commander Harris to assume command, thereby relieved the Merritt company of its legal responsibility for the safe conduct of the vessel to its port of destination. The fact of the vessel having been abandoned by order of Commander Harris, when in fact it was still able to keep up, is believed to greatly strengthen the company's position.

## RESTRICTIVE IMMIGRATION LAWS.

Chicago Times-Herald: The report of Commissioner General T. V. Powderly of the immigration bureau for the last fiscal year discloses a gratifying improvement in the general character of the immigrants who are seeking homes in this country.

This improvement is evidenced by the marked increase in the number of European immigrants, the decrease in the number of immigrants from Asiatic countries and the amount of money brought with them into this country.

There has been a diminution in the total immigration, yet in respect of their means of immediate self-support the arrivals for the year are regarded by Mr. Powderly as much more desirable, for they exhibited to the examining officials \$3,532,077, an amount in excess of that shown in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1897, of \$310,886. It is probable, however, that this is only a small part of the cash actually in the possession of the immigrants who landed at Castle Garden during the year.

The total number of immigrants who arrived during the fiscal year was 230,209, a decrease of 1533 as compared with the figures of 1897. During the year there were debarked 261 paupers, 258 diseased persons and 417 contract laborers.

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closure that 43,057 of the immigrants could neither read nor write.

Mr. Powderly's recommendation in favor of an amendment to the laws excepting immigrants shown to be afflicted with a loathsome or a dangerous contagious disease from the right of appeal or of a hearing before the board of special inquiry should receive prompt acquiescence from congress. The head tax should also be promptly increased from \$1 to \$2, so as to furnish "a fund sufficient to enlarge the bureau's operations to its full capacity for usefulness in protecting American citizens from disease, taxpayers from the imposition of unjust burdens, the hospitals, charitable and penal institutions from an influx of aliens, native producers from unjust competition and the social and political institutions of the country from demoralization by the corrupt citizens of other countries."

Although the report shows a falling off in number of undesirable immigrants, it by no means removes the necessity for some form of restrictive legislation based upon educational and property qualifications.

## HONEST MONEY VICTORY.

Speaking of the late election Secretary Gage, says:

"The people have again by their votes vindicated the financial policy of the Republican party, which has been one of honest money. Wherever the issue between free coinage on the one hand and sound money on the other has been raised during the recent campaign, sound money has proved the victor. As a national issue, I think free coinage is a closed incident. Good crops will kill any financial heresy. One heresy after the other has gone down before general prosperity."

"After all, every man wants the best dollar he can get. Only dishonest men would pay their debts in cheap dollars. I think the business outlook most excellent. We shall soon embark in an expansion of trade which promises great results."

"With the victory achieved the Republican party assumes increased responsibilities. Hardly in its history has it incurred so many. We will have to soon decide about the laws governing the several islands now under our control. We must devise a system of finance for them and tariff and postal laws. The eyes of the world are on the Republican party, and I believe it will come up to every expectation, as it always has in the past."

## WHO KNOWS

**W. J. Guymon? Up Goes a Thousand Hands at Once at this Question.**

Every minor in the state knows Mr. Guymon who has been secretary for the United Mine Workers of the state for five years. He is now an honorary member of the association, but they all know him still as a strong and powerful monarch. It is not necessary for me to go on and tell you what you all know so well, but there is one thing that I want to tell you which you may not know but should. It is about Morrow's Kid-no-olds. Mr. Guymon has used them and has highly praised them to us, and he says he thinks a public statement would help many a miner, in fact anyone who has had kidneys to use them. He wants to do as much service to the public as he can, so here is what he says:

"I have been a sufferer more or less for years with my kidneys. Sometimes they would be very bad and I suffered a great deal. I had severe pain across my back in the region of the kidneys which was always worse when I stooped over. But sometimes I could hardly straighten up. You can see that the natural result would be a broken down system which I was rapidly getting. My appetite failed me and whatever I ate I had to force down. I read such wonderful things about Morrow's Kid-no-olds that I thought it would do no harm to try them. I am glad I did for they proved to be the very remedy I required. Today I am entirely cured of all the backache, nervousness and everything arising from this trouble. I consider them safe, sure, quick and economical treatment and they effect a permanent cure."

Sold by Armstrong Lires, for 50 cents or mailed by us if not obtainable. John Morrow & Co., Chemists, Springfield, Ohio.

Recently published French statistics show that nearly one-fourth of the adult population of France are bacilliars.

## How to Prevent a Cold.

After exposure, or when you feel a cold coming on, take a dose of Foley's Honey and Tar. It never fails. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krouse, W. H. Hubbard

It is a beautiful trait in the lover's character that he thinks no evil of the object beloved.

The value of the average annual production of the earth has been estimated at \$10,000,000,000.

In 1887 Mr. Thomas McIntosh, of Allentown, Tenn., had an attack of dysentery which became chronic. "I was treated by the best physicians in East Tennessee without a cure," he says. "Finally I tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using about twelve bottles I was cured sound and well." For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

It often happens in morals as well as in physics that the remedy is worse than the disease.

## A Queer (?) Medicine.

There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some secret of a "cure" or "miracle" or that it is a "cure-all." This is the "Medicine only claiming to cure certain diseases." Its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krouse, W. H. Hubbard.

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## Poisonous Garden Plants.

The berries of the yew have killed many persons, and it is pretty well known nowadays that it is not safe to eat many peach pits or cherry kernels at once. Among the garden plants commonly in vogue which possess a poisonous nature botanists mention the flower of the jessamine, white hyacinth and snowdrop, the narcissus being also particularly deadly, so much so, indeed, that to chew a small scrap of one of the bulbs may result fatally, while the juice of the leaves is an emetic. There is enough opium in red poppies to do mischief, and the autumn crocus, if the blossoms are chewed, causes illness. The lobelia are all dangerous, their juice, if swallowed, producing giddiness with pains in the head. Lady's slipper, peacock in the same manner as does poison ivy. The bulb seems to be the most harmful. Lilies of the valley are also as poisonous. The leaves and flowers of the oleander are deadly, and the bark of the catalpa tree is very mischievous. The water dropwort, when not in flower, resembles oleander, and is virulent.—N. Y. Herald.

## Coal-Dust Firing.

Fine dust of coal or of flour mixed with air forms an explosive agent which has been the cause of many a mine and flourmill disaster. Advantage is taken of this property of combustible dust in a new process of boiler-firing. The fuel reduced to dust is fed by machinery into the furnace in which a fire must constantly be maintained. The instant the dust falls into the furnace chamber it burns with a flash, almost explosively, and the production of smoke absolutely prevented and the firing becomes economical as regards consumption of fuel. It would seem that it might lead to the utilization of the enormous mountains of coal slack which cover so many square miles of land in the mining districts.—Youth's Companion.

## Locust Toxin.

An English scientist who has been delegated by the English government to experiment with locust toxin reports as follows: As the inoculated locusts died they were kept and dried and afterward having been given time to mature they were ground into powder.

A swarm of locusts, which were two hours in passing, went into a five-acre meadow patch, and some of these locusts were saturated with a solution of the ground powder and set loose again in the swarm, which a couple of days afterward was visibly affected. A little later they were all dead.

If this story be true, it would be difficult to exaggerate its importance to farmers in countries affected by the locust pest.—Pathfinder.

## Red Tape.

"Here's a requisition for a two-ounce bottle of quinine."

"I haven't anything but one-ounce bottles."

"Gimme two of them."

"Not much. You'll get what your requisition calls for—if I have it."

"Suppose I get two more requisitions for one ounce each?"

"No. I'm going to make a test case of this. I'll write and ask the department for instructions."

"What'll I do with the requisition?"

"Put it on file and come back in a week!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## The Laziest Creature.

A most curious and sluggish creature is the tuatara, a nine-inch lizard, whose home is in New Zealand. The little imitation saurian has the reputation of being the laziest creature ever created. He is usually found clinging to rocks or logs along the shores of rivers and lakes, and has been known to remain in one position practically motionless for many months. How the creature manages to exist is a mystery—Golden Days.

## Let the Alibi Slide.

Pete—Yais, Dave got ten days in jail for stealin' dem chickens. Ie could hab proved an alibi, too, if he'd want ed to.

Abo—Dat so? Den why didn't he?

"Why, de facts ob de case was dat on de night dem chickens was stole Dave was 20 miles off in another county, stealin' a horse."—Judge.

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"I know it. He paid the bill for my fall hat without a protest and then asked me if I didn't think I would better get a nice winter wrap of some kind."—Detroit Free Press.

## Signs Infallible.

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## Undoubted Benefit.

Mrs. Greene—Now, tell me truly, do you believe it is any benefit to punish children?

Mrs. Birch—Certainly. You can't imagine how much better I feel after I've given Tom and Mabel a good trouncing.—San Francisco Post.

## Why He Did It.

Father—How do you account for all these entries under "Charity" in your expense account?

Student—I don't account for them. That's why I put them down "Charity."—Somerville Journal.

## Gas Log Reparate.

She—I have yet to see the man that I would marry.

He—Ah! I understand. You have never met one that couldn't outrun you.

Cleveland Leader.

## Russia Gets the Best Tea.

Nine-tenths of the finest tea raised in China is sold and consumed in Russia. Most of the next best grade finds a market in Great Britain.

## The Care.

He—Why are you so cold?

She—It may be because you are some thing of a frost.—Indianapolis Journal.

## Delays are Dangerous.

Many of your friends, or people whom you know, have contracted consumption, pneumonia, or other fatal diseases by neglect of a simple cold or cough. Foley's Honey and Tar, a safe, sure and pleasant cough medicine, would have saved them. It is guaranteed. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krouse and W. H. Hubbard.

You cannot give an instance of a man, who is permitted to lay out his own time, contriving not to have tedious hours.—Johnson.



When a young woman starts out in life with a modest home containing just the bare necessities, she pictures herself in the future the mistress of a magnificently furnished residence, containing the comforts and luxuries of life. In that dreamland of the future there will be no want of all the conveniences of life.

To others, more or less, the same all the comforts and luxuries of life will become a bore and a weariness, unless there is a baby for whom they can both contrive and plan and work.

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## WORK DOES NOT KILL.

"Not work, but worry, that kills," some one has well said, and the neurological list for the last year or two of men prominent in scientific medical circles is an interesting commentary.

When Huxley died, June 29, he was past 70, and had been a life typically full of patient, arduous investigation, solid, rational, scientific teaching and brilliant, if not always orthodox and original writing.

Karl Thiersch, to whom the world owes so much for his improvements in the technique of skin grafting, died April 28 in Leipzig, where he had been so long a professor of surgery, at the age of 73.

Louis Florentin Calmeil, M. D., the distinguished French specialist in psychological medicine, died March 11, 1893, at the ripe age of 97. For 75 years he had been doing work in medicine and the allied sciences that has kept his name prominently before his contemporaries—at least in France.

Pasteur was 73, and worked on till the end. From the time in the early '50s, when, drunk with the wine of the joy of discovery, he staggered up against a fellow student in the Rue d'Ulm, with the words: "Je viens de faire une grande découverte" (I have just made a great discovery)—he was coming from his laboratory, where he had just demonstrated the right and left polarizing properties of the two varieties of tartaric acid crystals—up almost to the day of his death, few lives have been filled with more persistent or more arduous work.

## PROGRESSIVE SENTENCES.

(Here are some curious sentences in which each word contains one more letter than the preceding word.)

I do not care about garden parties, although receiving numberless invitations periodically.

I am not very sorry Walter tumbled headlong, screaming alarmingly uncontrollable maledictions.

"I go," was that hero's answer, dashed forward, Napoleon's battalions immediately surrendering.

I go ten miles every Monday, through pleasant woodlands, oftentimes judiciously accompanying excursions mountaineering.

I am sad when fancy brings a knocking memories returning; detectably unfortunate, occasionally disappointing, unquestionably discomfounding, unreasonably conscientious, conscientiousness.

I do not feel alarm, having happily overcome jaundiced prejudice's, innumerable traducements, determinately unrecoverable, notwithstanding unextinguishable misinterpretation, characteristically intercommunications incomprehensibilities.—Golden Days.

## FACTS FOR A SCIENTIST.

At its present rate of combustion it is thought the sun will last from 7,000,000 to 15,000,000 years before burning itself out.

Heretofore it has been possible to dissolve gold only in a mixture of strong acids. In Liebig's *Armada der Chemie* Prof. Zsigmondy now describes a way he has discovered of dissolving gold in distilled water.

The poison of bees has heretofore been supposed to be formic acid. The German chemist Langer has found, however, by gathering the poison of 15,000 bees and subjecting it to analysis and experiments that though formic acid is present, the poisonous principle is an alkaloid.

H. Kessler has determined that the best results in flashlight photography are obtained by using a mixture of two parts of persulfate of potash to one part of magnesium, in this case the combustion occupying one-thirtieth of a second, and the amount of light and smoke being about the same as the permanganate mixture.

## SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

About 14,000 miles of electric trams have now been built in this country, giving employment to about 100,000 persons.

The Swiss telegraph business is a branch of the post, telegraph and railway department, and any post office will receive or deliver prepaid telegrams.

A very useful attachment for clocks is an electric battery with a push-button which can be fastened to the bedstead. If desirous of knowing the time in a dark room, pressure on the button will illuminate the dial.

All cable lines in Kansas City are to be made into electric lines. This is the avowed policy of the Chicago stockholders of the Metropolitan street railway. P. D. Armour and Norman B. Team, the directors of the Metropolitan company, have instructed the operating department to draw plans and estimates for this rebuilding.

## USEFUL INVENTIONS.

A Texan has patented a billiard cue which is chambered at the end and filled with chalk, to be discharged through a small opening to the face of the cue as each shot is made.

A handy hitching post has a spring drum inserted in the top, on which is wound a cord with a snap hook at the outer end for attachment to the bridle, the spring pulling the rope into the post when not in use.

A westerner has designed a wagon which will improve the roads instead of cutting them up as it passes along, the front pair of wheels running on a wider trail than the rear ones and all four wheels having broad, flat tires.

An Ohio man has patented an animal trap which sets itself automatically and kills the animal as fast as caught, a tilting platform being arranged over a water receptacle, with bait attached to the platform, the roent tipping the cover and falling into the water when set.

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## Primitive Artillery.

As to the character of the first instrument for throwing missiles, and just when it was invented, we have no certain knowledge, but it must have been at an early date, for we read in Genesis 10:9 that "Nimrod was a mighty hunter before the Lord," and surely the skill that has kept his name in remembrance for thousands of years must have been gained by the use of some surer weapon than the clubs or stone knives of primitive man. Without doubt man early learned how much execution can be done by a well-aimed stone, and attempted to hurl it with greater force and accuracy probably led to the invention of the sling, one of the simplest as well as one of the most formidable of these early weapons. It was long one of the principal instruments of war among the ancients, and the story of David and Goliath is a good illustration what could be done by one skilled in its use. This skill, however, could be acquired only by early and careful training. In the Balearic Islands, it is said, in ancient times the parents suspended the dinner of their boys upon poles and required them to bring it down with slings before they were allowed to eat.—Lippincott's.

## Reverend by the Hands.

A large hand is always better than small one. It indicates a person of some unusual powers. The possessor will be a good worker principally as to details; he will be careful not to make many promises, but will keep the few he makes to the letter, even at a loss to himself; he will be easily offended, very quick to imagine slight and not ready to forgive either real or imagined offenses. The possessor of a small hand will attempt almost anything, rarely, however, finishing anything he undertakes; is easily satisfied, both with himself and with the world in general; is fond of gaiety and excitement; makes and loses friends with the same easiness; is impulsive and inflammatory to a high degree; is religious, but not deeply so, will make promises and break them without compunction, and will be unable to bind himself to details.—Blanche W. Fischer, in Ladies' Home Journal.

## How She Had Learned.

The young woman had just caught the maid servant in a prevarication, and she was properly indignant. "Mary," she said, "how did you learn to lie?"

The servant thought it over for a minute and then she said:

"You know that little dud that calls here so often?"

"You mean Mr. Brimby, whom I dislike so intensely?"

"That's the one," returned the maid.

"You know what I have to tell him every time he calls?"

"Certainly."

"Well, that's how I learned to lie,"—Chicago Post.

## Canes Were Made of Whalebone.

"It seems to me," said the middle-aged man, "that not so many young men and youths carry canes nowadays as they did when I was a boy, and I am sure that not so many carry canes like one that I once had. That was a whalebone cane; slender, but round and tapering, and with the handle turned over into a sort of horseshoe-shaped crook. It was a beautiful piece of whalebone, and for this cane I paid 88 cents. A cane like that would cost nowadays, with whalebone at its present price, eight or ten dollars."—N. Y. Sun.

## Change of Programme.

Wife—The Gossip Sewing society meets this afternoon, and I'll run over for a couple of hours if you think you can keep the baby quiet.

Smart Husband (who wouldn't hurt a fly)—Oh, I'll do it. I'll keep him quiet if I have to choke him.

On second thought, I don't believe I feel like sewing this afternoon. Let's go to the park!"—N. Y. Weekly.

## A Point of Conscience.

Mamma—Baby, dear, you must say that you are very sorry for saying "Sha'n't" to Nurse. (Pause) Now, say you are very sorry, dear.

Baby (after a long and more painful pause)—But, mamma, dear, isn't it more naughty to tell wicked story than to say "Sha'n't" to Nurse?

—Punch.

## He'll Know Better Next Time.

He'll—Darling, I dream of you night and day.

She—I'm sorry, but your dreams will avail you naught.

"Why, what do you mean?"

"I mean that the man I marry must be wide-awake, no dreamers need apply."—Chicago Evening News.

## Off in His Accounts.

Mrs. Rambo—Abraham, are you a good accountant?

Mr. Rambo—At the office they think I'm somewhat above the average. Why?

"You couldn't give me a very good account of yourself when you came in at three o'clock this morning—that's all."—Chicago Tribune.

## A Sinker.

"Yes, gentlemen," cried the campaign orator, "the grand old party will stick to its candidates and sink or swim!"

"Hurrah for Stone!" cried an unintentional humorist in the audience.—Philadelphia Record.

## ROCKY.

"I guess I'm willin' to go," said the farmer, when they told him his hours would be few. "It's just a change from havin' my nose to the grindstone to havin' it to the tombstone."—Indianapolis Journal.

## Bridie Will Help Him.

"Now that his father is dead I suppose Bridie will spend all his money."

"Oh, no, he gets married to-morrow."—N. Y. Truth.

## How to Pack Hams.

Hams which are packed in pulverized charcoal will continue fresh for five to ten years.

## One Thing Sure.

Keep to the right, and you will never get left.—Pan's Horn.

## The Best Plaster.

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When the soreness will be at a warm, grateful feeling and healing of the parts affected will be experienced and you will say: "It feels so good. IT HITS THE SPOT." It is guaranteed.

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## PLANTS AND ANIMALS.

The eye of the vulture is so constructed that it is a high-power telescope, enabling the bird to see objects at an almost incredible distance.

A turnip seed increases its own weight 15 times in a minute. On peat ground turnips have been found to increase by growth 15,000 times the weight of their seed each day they stood upon it.

There is a fish found in Hudson bay which builds a nest. This it does by plucking up pebbles in its mouth and placing them in a regular way on a selected spot on the bottom of the bay, where the water is not very deep.

There is a plant in Jamaica called the life plant, because it is almost impossible to kill it, or any portion of it. When a leaf is cut off and hung up by a string, it sends out white, thread-like roots gathers moisture from the air, and begins to grow new leaves.

By far the greatest number of flowers have not smell at all. For instance of the 4,200 species of flowers in Europe only about ten per cent give forth any odor. The commonest flowers are white, ewe, and of these only one-sixth are fragrant.

There are certain lucky creatures which never feel the pangs of thirst, for they are so constituted that drink is unnecessary to them and they never swallow a drop of water in their lives. Among these animals are certain gazelles of the far east and the lamas of Patagonia.

The moment that a young crocodile breaks its shell it is to all intents and purposes as active as it is at any time during its life. It will make straight for the water, even if it be out of sight and a good distance off and it will pursue its prey with eagerness and agility during the first hour of its free existence.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

The next international congress of chemists will be held in Paris in 1900.

It takes a dentist to drill a raw recruit.

Some people believe too much and others not enough.

Some girls are like brown sugar—sweet but unrefined.

All men are good—good for some thing or good for nothing.

The man who says he hates a liar often merely lacks self-esteem.

When a public official imagines himself a big gun it's time to fire him.

Wit may move the world, but the trickman gets the credit for doing it.

Only a strong-minded woman can write letters and omit the postscript.

The man who is superior to his clothes usually wears mighty poor clothes. A physician says a woman is never really ill as long as she is able to complain.

When a young man embraces a girl he shows his love for her in a roundabout way.

Some men's desire to say, "I told you so," is greater than their desire for immortality.

Ten minutes' recreation in a merry-go-round will convince the most skeptical person that the world moves.

About the only time some women refuse to talk back is when they accept some man's seat in a crowded street car.

A woman writer says that mischievous causes dimples. Some people are under the impression that dimples cause mischief.

## POINTS OF LAW.

The transmission by a telegraph company of a libelous telegram and its delivery in writing at destination are held, in Peterson v. Western Union Telegraph company (Minn.), 40 L. R. A. 601, to constitute a publication of the libel.

An abrasion of the skin of a toe, caused by unexpected friction of a new shoe is held, in Western Commercial Travelers' association v. Smith (C. C. App. Eighth C.), 40 L. R. A. 633, to be an accidental injury within the meaning of an insurance policy.

A foreign corporation which has officers and agents in the state, on whom service of process can be had at any time, is held, in Turrott v. Ya-Zoo M. V. Railway company (Tenn.), 40 L. R. A. 708, not to be "out of the state," within the meaning of the statute of limitations.

The right to use the name of a retiring partner under a contract for the continuance of the use of such name "in the style of the firm" is held, in Pigby & R. company v. Rivers (Md.), 40 L. R. A. 632, to give no right to the use of the name by a corporation formed by the continuing partner and others for carrying on the same business.

The right of a city to accept a grant from another state to operate a toll road beyond its own limits and the limits of its own state, or to be held liable for defects in such road operated by it is denied, in Becker v. La Crosse (Wis.), 40 L. R. A. 829, although such toll road is made to connect with a toll bridge which the city has built under proper authority.

## SPARKS.

Simplicity of intention robs a man of all base fears.

In almost every quarrel both parties are more or less to blame.

No man ever regretted having entertained a generous thought or spoken a kind word.

With an honest man it is possible to argue a question to a conclusion, but not with a mere disputant.

Perfect straightforwardness of purpose is not at all inconsistent with courtesy of manner.

The consequences of telling the truth, however painful they may be



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### LOCAL NEWS.

**David's 15c delivery. Cab, 25c.**

Smoke the Little Joker--5 cent cigar  
Mrs. Aten Lytle has issued cards  
for a reception on Thursday afternoon.

**Pictures and Frames at Melchers' Art Store south of the Postoffice.**

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

The Scott minstrels will appear at the Grand tonight.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22nd--Highest quality. Moderate price. Golden Rio package coffee--15c-48c

Why send your money out of town, when we take your subscriptions at publishers' prices.

L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

The Knights of Macabees will give a ball, social and entertainment at their lodge room in the Columbia hall on the evening of November 23. Oysters will be served from 11 to 1.

The best package coffee sold is Golden Rio. Try it--15c-48c

The marriage bands for two couples were published Sunday at St. Patrick's church. They were Miss Anna McGonigle and John Clark; Fred Gogarty and Anna Witt.

Inspect the Chickering and Packard pianos on sale only at the C. B. Prescott music house. They are all right and can be had at low figures on easy terms.

A party consisting of Harry Mueller and Charles Traver of Decatur; Thomas Kizer and Ralph Evans of Hammond; Robert Seip and Charles Fleckinger will leave next week for Swiftonton Ark., where they will go into camp for several weeks and enjoy the fine fishing and hunting of that locality. Andy Wilson has been engaged to go along as cook.

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### RECEPTION TO-NIGHT

In Honor of Rev. Ruffner of St. John's Church and His Bride.

The ladies of St. John's Episcopal church will this evening give a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Shad on East Wood street. The affair will be in honor of Rev. Mr. Ruffner, rector of the church, and his bride, who have returned home from their wedding tour. Rev. Ruffner was married recently at Quincy and has returned to Decatur to take up his residence.

A large number of invitations have been issued and several hundred persons will be present. The hours will be from 8 until 10 o'clock. Mrs. Shad will receive with the rector and his wife. During the evening bread and butter and coffee and ice cream and cake will be served and the mandolin orchestra will be in attendance to render music throughout the evening.

### GRAND FINALE

Of the Williams Investigation Next Thursday Afternoon.

The fact that Street Superintendent A. W. Williams was under investigation of a committee appointed by the city council for that purpose, has nearly been forgotten by the public. Several of the committee have been out of the city and other things have occurred which prevented a meeting but the final session of the committee will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the city council rooms. At that time City Comptroller Robbins will be asked to make a statement and then all the evidence will be in. The committee will come to some decision as to whether or not Williams is guilty of the charges made against him and a report of their finding will be made to the council at the next meeting. What that finding may be remains to be seen.

### THE STAGE.

#### MINSTRELS TONIGHT.

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### FORMER COLLEGE GIRL

Tells "Tales Out of School."

"When I first went to the College at Lincoln, Neb., the maid gave me a cup of coffee, the taste of which disgusted me and I sent it back with the request to get some better made. The girl told me that they served mostly Postum Food Coffee, so when I got that properly made, it proved to be delicious drink and one that I have used ever since. I find that many people make their common coffee in

the same way.

G. C. Outten has gone to Minneapolis, supposedly to see his best girl.

Rev. Ploughman preached a good sermon at the M. E. church Sunday afternoon and received two members.

The first quarterly meeting of this conference year will be held at the M. E. church the 26th of this month. Rev. E. B. Randle will preach at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon and there will also be sermons at night.

Patrick Hines of the Hale farm will put a brick foundation under the house he lives in and make other improvements that are necessary to his comfort.

The Odd Fellows of Mt. Zion have

commenced to improve their property

by moving the present building east a few feet, putting in a cellar and other improvements.

**THE CITY SETTLED**

With the Contractors, Ammann &

For the Paving of Church Street.

City Comptroller Robbins on Monday settled with Ammann & Co., for

the paving on Church street. The

amount paid the contractors was \$30,

687.93, less \$100, which was held

back as a guarantee to keep the street

in repair for five years. The amount

paid to the contractors was divided

up as follows:

Improvement bonds--\$12.00.

Voucher for first installment uncol-

lected--\$2,915.56.

Cash on first installment--\$1536.94.

Warrants (on street intersections)--

\$636.

Cash (on intersections)--\$89.18.

Total--\$20,697.63.

The \$1000 held back was taken from

the public improvement bonds. The

\$11,000 worth of bonds were bought at

par by the city out of the sinking fund

and the cash was paid to the contrac-

tors. The cash in the sinking fund does

not draw any interest but invested

in the bonds it will draw 6 per cent.

The city gave a time warrant for one-

fifth of its share of the cost of the

paving at the intersection so that

there would be some money left in the

public improvement fund.

**GERVER FUNERAL.**

The funeral of John H. Gerver was

held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock

from the Methodist church at Corro Gordo.

The deceased was one of the best known citizens of Corro Gordo.

He lived in Piatt county for many

years and at the time of his death was

73 years old. He is survived by a wife

and the following four children:

Charles and Samuel Gerver, and Mrs.

Mrs. E. McKinley of Piatt county, and